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**Notice.**  
Mr. Jas. Sturges is now engaged in canvassing Cumberland County.

Mr. V. Darling will visit Hancock County during the present month.

**"How is Business?"**

When the rebellion commenced, and there was a call for men to leave the peaceful occupations in which they were engaged, and change from being producers and preservers of property to consumers and destroyers, business, for a time, was checked in all of its usual branches, and it was feared that there would be a general break down.

This revolution, however, was of short duration, and, at the present time, almost every department of industry has called for its products sufficient to take all its power to produce. This power is of course reduced from what it was before the commencement of the war, because of the employment of so many active men in the army. Take away a million of men from the industrial walls of life, and, as a matter of course, there will be a corresponding reduction of producing power. The amounts produced will not foot up so largely, as if the men, now engaged in the army, were employed at home in peaceful pursuits. The laws, however, of demand and supply make compensation in the way of profits by the inevitable consequence of a rise of price, where the supply is not so much in demand as before, the prices of the articles produced being considerably enhanced, the profit, or money value, is greater than before.

An examination of such statistics as we could find proves this. We have not at hand anything that gives us reliable facts in regard to agricultural products, for the time in question, their increase or diminution and ratio of prices, so we cannot speak very definitely of this branch of industry. As to manufacturing of different articles, &c., we are better supplied with blot of reliable returns. Those made out by Mr. Blodget, Secretary of the Philadelphia Board of Trade, giving amounts of products of 1860, and to 1863 in April, afford us an insight and pretty reliable answer to the question "How is business?" By way of abstract of his tables, we will say that, of the various trades, or manufactures, he enumerates the following and the only kinds that produce more than in 1860: Books, bound volumes; liquors, spirituous wines and malt; petroleum or rock oil; soap, candles and oil; coal; sawed and planed lumber, flour and meal. The following produced the same or very near as in 1860: Tobacco, manufactured and cigars; gait. The various others fall short; and in summing up he makes the value of the whole products enumerated, to be, in 1860, \$1,402,722,947. The value of the same products up to April 1863, if sold at 1860 prices, would be \$1,312,502,521, making \$190,160,246 loss, or a decrease in quantity of 10.20 per cent. But if you count up the products by the increased prices of 1863, you will find it to swell up to \$1,642,789,850, which will make \$330,227,350 more than in 1860, and this is an increase of 25.15 per cent. So you see that we are not going astern, as a sailor would say, but progressing very well in such matters. Indeed, we believe we have the right to claim ourselves to be a wonderful people, though it may save of a little modest bragging to say so. We are carrying on one of the most expensive and gigantic wars that ever a nation did. We have taken a million of men from the industrial classes, and made them consumers, and yet we produce enough of food to feed our armies, to supply France and England also with immense quantities of bread, and occasionally send a cargo or two, gratis, to their starving operatives. At the same time, our manufacturing and other industrial pursuits, are continuing with enhanced profit, and the enormously increased expenses of the National Government is met from our own resources, without asking the loan of a shilling from anybody but our own citizens. National troubles and trials develop national vigor and strength, and that strength and vigor, in our case, is a marvel to the eyes of the world at home and abroad.

**AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITIONS THIS WEEK.** Kennebec, at Readfield, Wednesday and Thursday; West Somerset, at North Anson, Wednesday and Thursday; Sagadahoc, at Topsham, Tuesday and Wednesday; Cumberland, at Portland, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; West Oxford, at Fryeburg, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; East Oxford, at Rumford, Wednesday and Thursday; East Washington, at Calais, Tuesday and Wednesday; Litchfield Town Fair, on Tuesday; China Town Fair, on Thursday; Albion Town Fair, on Tuesday.

**BRIEF NOTES ON THE WEATHER FOR THE WEEK** ending Oct. 11th, 1863:

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strength and in good position on the opposite side of the Atchafalaya, the commanding General thought it best to throw up entrenchments, and while the larger portion of the troops were fortifying the levee, the smaller portion of the 20th Infantry, under the command of Major General Sherman, proceeded to move five or six miles in advance. He was accompanied by portions of the 19th and 26th Indiana, together with 150 cavalry and a section of artillery.

On Wednesday morning the whole force of the army, consisting of Green's, Morton's, and Major's brigades, succeeded in crossing the river and passing between the main body and Colonel Lowe, who was in a position to cut off the Union forces from the movement was discovered.

Col. Lowe drew up his men in line of battle, and prepared to fight the warm contest, in which our troops fought bravely against overpowering numbers, but at the expiration of that time they were compelled to surrender. With the exception of the cavalry, the whole were taken prisoners and their guns captured.

The cavalry, consisting of detachments from the 6th Missouri and 26th and 1st Illinois, succeeded in making their way to the north, and were taken prisoners and their guns captured.

The prisoners, officers and men, numbered 480. We captured a Lieut. Col. and 12 men. The New York and the correspondent says:—The main army, under Gen. Franklin, on route for Texas, proceeds on its way with toilsome marches. On Tuesday the head of the column crossed the river, and the army, under Gen. Sherman, followed.

On Tuesday morning, Sept. 30th, the rear, under Washburn, crossed Berwick Bay. The army moved without any opposition to Camp Beland, on the north shore of the river, and the army, under Gen. Sherman, followed.

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## CHOIRS, CONVENTIONS, AND SINGING SCHOOLS.

Are using the Best Music Book of the Season.  
Which, though not new, has been studied by a POPULARITY UNEQUALLED.  
By any similar work, and is meeting with a DEMAND UNPRECEDENTED.

A Sale of Fifty thousand Copies.  
Several conventions have used it with satisfaction, and it is now being sold by the publishers at a large discount. It is a book of songs, hymns, and anthems, and is a valuable addition to any collection of music books.

NOTICE TO WESTERN TRAVELERS.  
RATES OF FARE:  
August to Chicago, \$12.45  
August to Milwaukee, \$12.45  
August to St. Paul, \$12.45  
August to St. Louis, \$12.45  
August to St. Petersburg, \$12.45

GRANITE BANK.  
STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.  
A special meeting of the stockholders of Granite Bank will be held at their BANKING ROOM in AUGUSTA, on THURSDAY, the 10th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., to consider the expediency of creating a new building on the corner of State and Commercial streets.

STATE BANK.  
STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.  
The stockholders of the State Bank are hereby notified that their annual meeting for the election of officers, directors, and trustees, and for the consideration of business, will be held at the State Bank Building, in Augusta, on Wednesday, the 10th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M.

A PAPER GIVEN AWAY.  
The publisher of the Maine Farmer, in order to increase its circulation and usefulness, will send a copy of the paper to every subscriber who sends in a card of introduction from a friend or neighbor, and who is willing to receive a copy of the paper.

WANTED.  
A SMALL FARM within two miles of the Post Office, near the corner of State and Commercial streets, for a residence. The farm should be of about 10 acres, and should be well situated for a residence. The owner is willing to sell for a low price.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.  
TWO GOOD FARMERS, to whom constant employment and good wages will be given. The work is of a simple nature, and is suitable for men of ordinary intelligence and industry.

C. H. MULLIKEN & CO.  
One Door North of Post Office, Augusta, Me.  
Offer for sale at the lowest cash price, a large quantity of goods, including clothing, shoes, hats, and other articles. The goods are of the best quality, and are sold at a low price.

DOUBLE EXTRA—EXTRA AND FAMILY FLOUR.  
All the best brands in the market. Also, Corn, Rye, Oats, Barley, Graham Flour and Feed.  
Agents for the different qualities of SOAPS—Crown's, Soda Flakes, and other brands.

CLAIMS AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.  
PENSIONS, BOUNTIES AND BACK PAY.  
The undersigned is prepared to receive and settle all claims against the United States for pensions, bounties, and back pay. He is a member of the Pension Bureau, and is qualified to handle all such claims.

CELEBRATED MELODIONS.  
All Styles Superior to any other make.  
ALL STYLES COMBINED ON HAND FOR SALE OR RENT. By T. H. DINSMORE, Skowhegan, Sept. 10, 1863.

CALIFORNIA STEAMERS.  
SAIL REGULARLY.  
ON THE 31st, 13th and 23rd OF EACH MONTH.  
Parties who would avail themselves of the benefit of the subscriber's Agency for sailing to California, should apply to the subscriber, at his office, in Augusta, Me.

DR. M. C. BURGESS.  
DENTIST.  
Second Floor Darby Block, Augusta, Me.  
Dental Surgery, and all the latest improvements in dentistry. The doctor is a member of the American Dental Association, and is qualified to handle all dental work.

THE SUPERIOR.  
A first class Cooking Stove for wood or coal—burns either kind of fuel. JOHN CUNNINGHAM, Proprietor. Sold at No. 2 Darby Block.

COOKING, PARLOR, AND OFFICE STOVES.  
TIN WARE, PUMPS, IRON SINKS, POCKET TABLES, AND OTHER ARTICLES.  
Tin, Sheet Iron, and Job Work, promptly attended to. No. 2, Darby Block, Water Street, Augusta, Me.

## NEW FALL AND WINTER GOODS.

JUST RECEIVED A LARGE STOCK OF READY MADE CLOTHING, CLOTHS, AND GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, NOW OPEN AT No. 13 Water Street, Augusta.

I have brought the most stylish and the best of the season's goods, and have added to the former stock of the most desirable goods in the market, and the whole is now open at No. 13 Water Street, Augusta.

ALL of which will be sold at very low prices and warranted to give satisfaction. My stock is now open at No. 13 Water Street, Augusta.

GUSTAVO DEPARTMENT.  
I feel confident in assuring the public that they can be supplied with Custom and Ready Made Clothing on the most reasonable terms.

HAIR, CAPS, UMBRELLAS, AND MILITARY GOODS.  
Particular Attention paid to Officers' Uniforms. DEANE PRAY, Augusta, Sept. 29, 1863.

SHAWLS.  
DRESS GOODS.  
HOUSE-KEEPING GOODS, HOSIERY AND GLOVES, BALMORALS AND HOOP SKIRTS, &c., &c. All of which will be sold at the lowest prices for cash.

HERE'S YOUR GOOD BARGAIN!  
The subscriber, having returned from the "Far West," informs his friends and acquaintances that he has a large stock of goods, including clothing, shoes, hats, and other articles, which he is now selling at a low price.

APOTHECARY AND GROCERY BUSINESS.  
The subscriber, having returned from the "Far West," informs his friends and acquaintances that he has a large stock of goods, including clothing, shoes, hats, and other articles, which he is now selling at a low price.

WINTER VILLAGE.  
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ALL kinds of Jobbing and Repairing done.  
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## PORTLAND & KENNEBEC RAILROAD.

ON and after MONDAY, April 8, 1863, Passenger Trains will run as follows: Trains will leave Portland at 8:30 A. M., and will arrive in Kennebec at 11:30 A. M.

Trains will leave Kennebec at 1:30 P. M., and will arrive in Portland at 4:30 P. M. Trains will leave Portland at 6:30 P. M., and will arrive in Kennebec at 9:30 P. M.

Trains will leave Kennebec at 11:30 P. M., and will arrive in Portland at 2:30 A. M. Trains will leave Portland at 4:30 A. M., and will arrive in Kennebec at 7:30 A. M.

Trains will leave Kennebec at 9:30 A. M., and will arrive in Portland at 12:30 P. M. Trains will leave Portland at 2:30 P. M., and will arrive in Kennebec at 5:30 P. M.

Trains will leave Kennebec at 7:30 P. M., and will arrive in Portland at 10:30 P. M. Trains will leave Portland at 12:30 A. M., and will arrive in Kennebec at 3:30 A. M.

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